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Minutes of the Population Technical Advisory Committee
Wednesday October 10, 2007

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Arizona State University – Tom Rex
University of Arizona – Alberta Charney ¹
Department of Commerce – Kent Ennis
Department of Economic Security – Dennis Doby / Peter Kozy
Department of Revenue – Diane Sosinski
Department of Transportation – Jami Garrison
Maricopa Association of Governments – Jeff Romine / Anubhav Bagley
Pima Association of Governments – Sandra Holland
Northern Arizona Council of Governments – Chris Fetzer ¹
Western Arizona Council of Governments – Dave Barber
Central Arizona Association of Governments – Jack Tomasik / James Clancy
Southeastern Arizona Governments Organization – Rich Gaar / Sharon Mitchell
Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization – Norma Swinehart ¹
Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona – Norm Petersen
* City of Phoenix – Max Enterline / Roy Nourse

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Department of Education
Department of Health Services
Department of Water Resources
Department of Environmental Quality
Northern Arizona University
League of Arizona Cities & Towns
County Supervisors Association of Arizona
The Navajo Nation
* State Land Department
* Department of Insurance

ALSO PRESENT:

Samuel Colón, Department of Economic Security
James Chang – SFB
Van Braswell – Department of Economic Security

¹ Participating by teleconference

* Non-voting member

1. Call to Order.

Peter Kozy called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

2. Approval of Minutes of Prior POPTAC Meeting

Peter Kozy asked for comments or corrections of the minutes from the prior meeting. Roy Nourse corrected the spelling of his name. No other changes were noted

A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Rich Gaar and seconded by Norm Petersen. The motion carried by majority vote.

3. New business/Call to the Audience

There was no new business presented

4. Workgroup(s) – Update Report

Jeff Romine the chair of the Population Interdynamics Workgroup reported that there was interest expressed by six individuals to participate. No meetings have been held so far. He stated the intent to have at least two meetings by electronic means and then a couple face to face meetings. Results are expected to be given in the spring of 2008.

Sandy Holland the chair of the Employment / Seasonal Residency Workgroup reported that the response for participation was “underwhelming”. It was decided that she report on the degree of interest for workgroup membership at our November meeting. At that time the committee will decide if the topic needs to be tabled.

5. Update Sub-County Projections

MAG and PAG have provided their sub-county projections and they are present on both websites. SEAGO and NACOG accepted the place projections as presented. They are available on the websites also. WACOG reported that their projections are still in review.

6. 2007 Preliminary Estimates

A lively discussion was held regarding the quality of the composite estimates. The content and accuracy of the 5-17 cohort came into question. Changing persons per household and vacancy rates were discussed as a shortcoming to the HUM method in the later stages of a decade. Samuel Colón presented an alternate view by presenting the use of a state control for the composite rather than a county control. Discussions determined that a state control was not a good approach because it masked the changes that the composite method is supposed to highlight. Some members wished to contact Warren Brown to discuss the quality of the cohort data. Dennis Doby encouraged those members to contact Doctor Brown through normal channels. The 2007 estimates will be a topic again at the November meeting.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Pete Kozy